

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: Chair John Brenden, on February 1, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. John Brenden, Chairman (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)
Sen. Tom Facey (D)
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Sen. Greg Hinkle (R)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Jim Shockley (R)
Sen. Art Wittich (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch
Kevin McCue, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 157, 1/26/2011; SB 184, 1/26/2011; SB 174, 1/26/2011

HEARING ON SB 157

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:01:38 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 157, Establish hunters against hunger donation program.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:28 Joe Maurier, Director, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
00:06:24 Jason Tounsley, President, Montana Bow Hunters Association
00:06:47 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)
00:07:46 Joelle Selk, Traditional Bowhunters of Montana
00:08:05 Steve Kamps, self
00:09:11 Hank Hudson, Administrator of Division of Human and Community Services, Department of Health and Human Services

Opponents' Testimony:

None

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:10:06 Sen. Balyeat
00:11:12 Sen. Van Dyk
00:12:26 Sen. Brenden
00:14:06 Dir. Maurier, FWP

Closing by Sponsor:

00:15:55 Sen. Van Dyk

HEARING ON SB 184

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:18:21 Sen. Kendall Van Dyk (D), SD 25, opened the hearing on SB 184, Allow for bow and arrow bison hunt.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:20:52 Joe Maurier, Director, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)
00:22:06 Jason Tounsley, President, Montana Bow Hunters Association

EXHIBIT(fis25a01)

00:23:32 Joelle Selk, member, Traditional Bowhunters of Montana (TBM)

EXHIBIT(fis25a02)

00:24:19 Jesse Nelson, member, Montana Bow Hunters Association (MBA)

EXHIBIT(fis25a03)

00:25:04 Rachel Kinkie, lobbyist, Coalition for the Responsible Management of Fish and Wildlife

00:25:40 Scott Koelzer, member, Montana Bow Hunters Association (MBA)

00:26:21 Steve Kamps, self

00:27:16 Ben Lamb, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:27:35 Darrell Geist, Habitat Coordinator, Buffalo Field Campaign (BFC)

Informational Testimony:

None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:29:58 Sen. Balyeat
00:30:34 Dir. Maurier, FWP
00:31:35 Sen. Hamlett
00:32:23 Dir. Maurier
00:33:11 Sen. Brenden
00:33:43 Dir. Maurier
00:34:18 Sen. Brenden
00:34:36 Sen. Van Dyk
00:36:23 Sen. Balyeat
00:37:32 Sen. Van Dyk
00:39:04 Sen. Balyeat
00:39:23 Mr. Geist, BFC
00:40:08 Sen. Hinkle
00:40:44 Sen. Van Dyk
00:41:09 Sen. Brenden

Closing by Sponsor:

00:41:41 Sen. Van Dyk

HEARING ON SB 174

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:45:40 Sen. Gene Vuckovich (D), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB 174, Prohibit state funds for movement or relocation of bison to Spotted Dog WMA.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:48:32 Donna Young, Commissioner, Powell County

EXHIBIT(fis25a04)

00:50:24 Nicole Rolf, lobbyist, Montana Farm Bureau Federation and Montana Wool Growers Association

00:51:39 Brian Quigley, self

00:52:00 Reece Price, self

Opponents' Testimony:

00:52:29 Joe Maurier, Director, Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis25a05)

00:54:50 Ben Lamb, lobbyist, Montana Wildlife Federation (MWF)

00:56:29 Darrell Geist, Habitat Coordinator, Buffalo Field Campaign (BFC)

Informational Testimony:

00:58:00 John Munding, natural resource management consultant

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:58:26 Sen. Jent
00:59:54 Dir. Maurier, FWP
01:01:52 Sen. Wittich
01:02:44 Sen. Vuckovich
01:04:17 Sen. Facey
01:04:32 Sen. Vuckovich
01:05:23 Sen. Facey
01:05:50 Dir. Maurier
01:06:37 Sen. Barrett
01:06:50 Dir. Maurier
01:08:31 Sen. Barrett
01:09:04 Ms. Young
01:09:42 Dir. Maurier
01:10:13 Sen. Gallus
01:11:46 Dir. Maurier
01:12:04 Sen. Barrett
01:12:31 Dir. Maurier
01:13:03 Sen. Hamlett
01:13:27 Ms. Young
01:16:27 Sen. Hamlett
01:16:43 Dir. Maurier
01:18:14 Sen. Brenden
01:21:46 Dir. Maurier
01:22:18 Sen. Barrett

Closing by Sponsor:

01:22:52 Sen. Vuckovich

ADJOURNMENT

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01:26:00

Kevin McCue, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([fis25aad.pdf](#))